I.C.P.O. Calendar

19-27 January 2006

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I.C.P.O. Calendar (January 19 - 27, 2006)
Islands, Castles & Portable Operations.
Operations are listed by start date (Day/Month/Year).
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19/01/2006: Alfeo (I1HJT), Silvano (I2YSB), Carlo (IK1AOD), Carlo (IK1HJS), Marcello (IK2DIA), Adriano (IK2GNW) and possibily a seventh operator will be active from Somalia for two weeks starting January 19th. They will operate as 6O0N (im memory of Adam Nuur Maxamed Islam) with three stations on all bands (6 meters included) SSB, CW and RTTY. Look for 6O0N to participate in the CQ WW 160M CW Contest on 28-29 January. QSL via I2YSB, direct (Silvano Borsa, Vle Capettini 1, 27036 Mortara - MI, Italy) or bureau (e-mail requests for bureau cards can be sent to 6o0n@i2ysb.com, a form is available on the website). The pilot for the operation will be Gianni, IS0VSG (is0vsg@tin.it). [Tnx 425 DXN]

19/01/2006: Salvo, IV3YIM, will be active January 19th as IV3YIM/IT9 from the Tower of Orsa to Cinisi (DCI reference PA-035 for the Italian castles award), region of Sicily (IOTA EU-025, IIA SC-001, MIA MI-107, also count for Sicilia Island lighthouse WLOTA LH-1362), Province of Palermo (PA). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx IT9YMM]

19/01/2006: W9JUV (Joe) and W9VA (Bill) will operate from the Signal Point Station (http://www.pj2t.org) on the island of Curacao (IOTA SA-006) from January 19-27th. QSL via home calls. K8ND (Jeff) will also be operating from the Signal Point Station on January 23-31st, including a single-operator entry in the CQ WW 160 Meter CW Contest (January 28-29th) as PJ2T. Before and after the contest he will focus on 40 and 80 meters and will test receiving antennas on 160m. QSL PJ2/K8ND via home call (or LOTW), QSL PJ2T via N9AG (or LOTW). [Tnx 425 DXN]

19/01/2006: Three YL operators (namely Nobuko/JR6XIX, Chizue/JA1EYL and Noriko/7K3EOP) plus Yoshiki/JR6XIW will be active from Palau (OC-009) January 19-22nd as T88AO, T88CY, T88OP and T88AI respectively. QSL via home calls. [Tnx 425 DXN]

19/01/2006: ZA/IK0OKY, Op Emilio, (UN Peace-Keeper in Tirana until August 2006), will be active all evenings from 20:00 to 23:00 UTC and weekends from 06:30 UTC onwards in FSK441A. Grid square JN91wh. He is active on 2m and 6m MS. For skeds mail to ik0oky(at)yahoo.it . QSL via IW0BET, online log at www.qsl.net/iw0bet/manager.htm . Will stay in ZA for another 2 years, returns to Rome once a month, says that Tirana is surrounded by mountains, so VHF is very difficult. [Tnx SM7AED]

19/01/2006: Dave W3WKP (ZF2DC) and Jim W8ERI (ZF2ZL) are both QRV from the Cayman Islands (IOTA NA-016) until January 22nd. QSL via their home calls (QRZ.com). [Tnx NG3K]

19/01/2006: Olav, LA9VFA, will operate SSB and digital modes as ZK1VFA from Raratonga (OC-013), South Cook Islands, from January 19-28th. QSL via home call. [Tnx 425 DXN]

20/01/2006: Herm CT3FN and Rudi CT3/HB9CQL will be QRV January 20th to February 1st from Madeira Island (IOTA AF-014, DIP MA-001). Activity

will be on all bands and modes. On January 21st and 22nd, Herm will operate as CT9F from the S?o Jorge/Rosais lighthouse located on the north coast of Madeira Island (DFP FMA-005 for the Portuguese lighthouse award, ARLHS MAD-008, WLOTA LH-0053), from inside the lighthouse. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [Tnx DE0MST]

20/01/2006: Look for Paul F6EXV (MU0EXV) and Jan DJ8NK (GU0VNK) to be QRV January 20-30th from the Bailiwick of Guernsey (IOTA EU-114). Activity will be on 160-10 meter SSB, CW and digital modes. QSL via their home calls (QRZ.com addresses). This activity will also count for the Guernsey Island (main) lighthouse (WLOTA LH-0013). [Tnx F5NQL]

21/01/2006: DXpedition to Robinson Crusoe Island (Juan Fernandez), IOTA SA-005 - January 21st to 28th - All operators are confirmed: Guillermo/XQ3SA (Team Leader), Maite/CE3BYL, Gerard/F2JD, Pedro/CE3BFZ, Hector/CE3VII, Dave/K4SV, Bill/N2WB, Bob/N6OX, Ignacio/CE3GFN, Sergio/CE3GL and Juan/CE3GRG. All the equipment and antennas are ready to go. Airplanes tickets and hostelling are confirmed. During the activity, look for the crew on the following frequencies: CW - 1.820, 3.540, 7.020, 10.110, 14.040, 18.080, 21.040, 24.890, 28.040 and 50.110 MHz; SSB - 1.840, 3.795, 7.060, 14.195, 18.145, 21.295, 24.945, 28.495 and 50.110 MHz. The log will be available at http://www.ce3bsq.cl/ce0z/log.html . QSL Managers: for North America - N2OO, Robert W Schenck, PO Box 345, Tuckerton, NJ 08087 USA; For Europe - F6AJA, Jean Michel Duthilleul, 515 Rue du Petit Hem, 59870 Bouvignies, FRANCE; and for South America - CE3BSQ, Radioclub Manquehue, P.O. Box 27064, Santiago, CHILE. [Tnx F5NQL]

21/01/2006: Look for Francois F5JNE and Claude F5MCC to be active January 21st as F5JNE/p from the Castle of Paron (DFCF reference 89-278 for the French castles award), City of Paron (CP 89100), Canton Sens Ouest (89-30), Department of Yonne (89), Province of Burgundy. Activity will be on 40 meter CW and SSB starting around 07:00 UTC. QSL via F5JNE, bureau preferred and SWL cards are welcomed. [Tnx F5NQL]

21/01/2006: Patrick, F6GAF/p, will activate the Castle Monceau (DFCF reference 44-028 for the French castles award) on January 21st. Other award references are DDCF 44-42 and CP (postal code) 44118. QSL via home call, direct or through the bureau. [Tnx F6FNA]

21/01/2006: Look for Salvatore, IK1AWV/p, to be QRV January 21st from two references for the Italian castles award (DCI). He will activate the Tower of the Paciotta of Albenga (DCI SV-011) and the Fort of Albenga (DCI SV-012), Region of Liguria, Province of Savona (SV). Activity will start around 08:00 UTC, weather permitting, on 40 and 20 meter SSB. QSL via home call, bureau preferred. [Tnx IK1AWV]

21/01/2006: Jose, N4BAA (KG4SB) and Bill, W4WV (KG4WV) will be active from Guantanamo Bay, Cuba (IOTA NA-015), January 21-31st. Activity will be on all bands 160-6 meters. During a 2-4 day period, Bill (KG4WV) will activate Windward Point lighthouse (WLH KG4-001, ARLHS GTM-001, WLOTA LH-0358) as well. Jose (KG4SB) will also participate in the CQ 160-Meter Contest (January 28-29th), no category given. QSL KG4WV via W4WV; QSL KG4SB via N4BAA or Jose's new QSL manager Rod EA7JX. [Tnx K1XN & the GOLIST]

22/01/2006: Several members of The Canary Islands DX Society (CIDXS) will be active as ED8CSF from San Francisco's castle on January 22nd.

Activity will be on 80-10 meter SSB, RTTY and PSK31. The castle references are: DCE: CGC 015 - DMHE: MGC 203 - IOTA: AF004 - D.I.E.: S005 - DME: 35.016 - GRID: IL28GC and is located in the city of Las Palmas de Gran Canaria, Capital city of Gran Canaria Island (IOTA AF-004, DIE S-005), in the North east part of the island. This castle is a new reference for the Spanish castles award (DCE) and a new reference in the Spanish Monuments Historic Award (DMHE). Further information can be found at www.qrz.com/ed8csf . QSL will be sent automatically via the bureau so it is not necessary to send your QSL card (Manager EC8AUA - Edu). [Tnx ED8CSF Team]

22/01/2006: Look for Martino, IW1PNJ, to be active January 22nd as I5/IW1PNJ/p from the Forte Filiop di Monte Argentario (DCI reference GR-075 for the Italian castles award), Region of Toscana, Province of Grosseto (GR). QSL via home call, bureau preferred. [Tnx IK1AWV]

23/01/2006: A group of 5 to 6 operators will be traveling to Cayo Jutias Island (IOTA NA-093) and lighthouse (ARLHS CUB-022) in the last week of January, 2006. Operators mentioned so far are: CO2WL, CO3CJ, CO3JN, CO3LF and CO3VK. The Team will be active on 40, 20, 15 meter SSB and CW, but PSK31 and other bands are possible. Each operator will use his personal call /1 and the QSL route is via IZ8EBI (QRZ.com). This is a very hard DXped because there aren't any commodities on the wild Cayo. The team has a lot of necessities so we are looking for sponsors and donors. For any possible help from you as "sponsor" please email the manager. For free donations please use the paypal button on the web site: http://xoomer.virgilio.it/iz8_ebi/ . A little help from you may be a great help for the IOTAped. [Tnx IZ8CCW]

24/01/2006: The Lufthansa Amateur Radio Club, LARC, will be active as 3V8DLH from Borj Cedria, Tunisia, between January 24-31st. Activity will be on 160m-6m CW, Digital and SSB. QSL via DJ3FK (QRZ.com). Further information can be found at www.dj3fk.com. [Tnx F5NQL]

24/01/2006: The Provins ARS members, Franck/F4AJQ (SSB), Serge/F6AML (CW/SSB), Pascal/F5JSD (CW/SSB webmaster), John/F5VHQ/0E5TGL (SSB), Bernard/F9IE (CW/SSB), Jean Paul/F8BJI (Digit/SSB), Romain/F8BUI (Digi/SSB/CW), G?rard/F2VX (SSB) and Jean-Marc/F8IXZ (CW) are once again on tour. From January 24th to February 2nd, 2006, they will be active as 5H1C, from Zanzibar Island (IOTA AF-032, lighthouse WLOTA LH-1080). The activity is scheduled from 160 to 10 meter CW, SSB and digital modes (RTTY, PSK31 and PSK63 .. main operators F8BJI & F8BUI). 5H1C will participate in the CQ WW 160M CW Contest (January 28-29th). The French speaking countries pilot station is Bruno, F5AGB. The QSL route is via F5TVG direct (Franck Savoldi, BP 92, 94223 Charenton Cedex, France), or via the bureau. [Tnx F5NQL]

25/01/2006: If you are missing HB0 on top band look for us HB0/T93M (N4EXA) Danny, HB0/T93Y Boris, HB0/T94DX (DJ2MX) Mario, HB0/T94JJ (OE1EMS) Braco and HB0/T96Q Ivek between January 25th and February 1st. They will also be active in WW DX 160m CW contest using the HB0/T94DX call. Before and after contest they will operate with 3 stations on all HF bands, but with focus on 160m and 80m! They will use verticals, dipoles and loops (K9AY; maybe beverage RX) on low bands! The QTH is the same as used by HB0/DL2OBO and they will have some problems working JA?s and far east because of the high hills in that direction. QSL via operators home call (QRZ.com). [Tnx F5NQL]

26/01/2006: Rick PY2EL/p and Wal PY2WC/p will activate Comprida Island (IOTA SA-024, DIB 21 for the Brazilian islands award) from January 26-30th. Look for activity on all HF bands, also 6 meters and 144/432 MHz, mostly CW, SSB and digital (PSK31/RTTY). QSL is ok via the bureau. [Tnx rsgbiota.org]

26/01/2006: The F6KOP, City of Provins, ARS will enter the French Championship HF, both modes CW and SSB, using the special call TM0C. The main dates will be January 28 (starting 06:00 UTC) and January 29 (ending at 18:00 UTC); and February 25 (starting 06:00 UTC) and 26 (ending at 18:00 UTC). Pericontest activities all modes and bands HF and VHF possible between January 26th to February 2nd. QSL via F6KOP. [Tnx F5NQL]

26/01/2006: Kyle, WA4PGM, will be active as VP9/WA4PGM from the island of Bermuda (IOTA NA-005, also count for WLOTA LH-0201 lighthouse) January 26-30th. Activity will be on all bands. He will also participate in the CQ WW 160m CW Contest (January 28-29th) as a Single-Operator entry. QSL via home call, direct or via e-QSL and LoTW. [Tnx NG3K]

27/01/2006: On January 27th and again on January 30th, Jac (F5YJ) be active as F5YJ (not portable, only F5YJ, resident), from my new main QTH, in Poilly sur Serein (CP 89310, Canton DDCF 8921), Department Yonne (89), Province of Burgundy. As two other references are less than 500 meters distance, activities will count for: the H?tes Castle (DFCF 89049) and the Poilly sur Serein Mill (DMF 89001). Look for Jac on 40 meter SSB between 09:00 and 11:00 UTC. QSL via information on QRZ.com. [Tnx F5NQL]

27/01/2006: Hide, JM1LJS, plans to be QRV as KH2VL/KH0 from Saipan (IOTA OC-086), Northern Mariana Islands January 27-29th. QSL via JM1LJS (QRZ.com). [Tnx JM1LJS]
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LOOKING AHEAD -

28/01/2006: Alex, 4Z5KJ, will be active from Israel as 4Z5J during the CQ 160-Meter CW Contest (January 28-29) as a Single-Operator entry. QSL via W0MM. [Tnx NG3K]

28/01/2006: Martti, OH2BH, will be activate CU2A from the Azores (IOTA EU-003) during the CQ 160-Meter CW Contest (January 28-29) as a Single-Operator entry. QSL via OH2BH. [Tnx F5NQL]

28/01/2006: DH8AP (Alfred) and DL5FDP (Stefan) will be QRV January 28th as DL5FDP/p from the Katzenbuckel summit (SOTA DL/BW-107, 624M, WW Loc. JN49ml), Bathe Wuerttemberg region. Activity will start around 00:13 UTC on 7.060 and 144.290 MHz SSB, 145.550 and 1297 MHz FM. QSL via DL5FDP, direct or bureau. [Tnx SOTA U.K.]

28/01/2006: ZS6ACT (Lucas), ZS6AYC (Sid), ZS6TMO (Thomas) and ZS6BAB (Detlev) will be QRV January 28th as homecall/p from Glen Paul summit (SOTA ZS/FS-007, 2142M, WW Loc. KG41nu), Free State region. Activity will start around 07:00 UTC on 7.065 and 14.165 MHz SSB, also 145.500 MHz FM. QSL via operators' instructions. [Tnx SOTA U.K.]

03/02/2006: Operators Ray N6VR, Norm N6JV, Marco XE2TG, Gerardo XE2Q, Bernado XE2HWB and Hector XE2K plan to be active February 3-5th from any of the islands in the Baja California Sur State South East group (IOTA NA-124) [Espiritu Santo, Ballena or Cerralvo]. They will use the call XF1K on 80-10 meter CW and SSB, with 3 stations operating

simultaniously. Look for activity around the usual IOTA frequencies (+/- QRM). Check islandradio.org for further details. QSL via N6AWD (QRZ.com). [Tnx rsgbiota.org]

11/02/2006: SV3FUO (Petros) and SV3BSF (Nikos) will be active as J43BSF from Greece during the CQ WW WPX RTTY Contest (February 11-12th) as a Multi-Single/High-Power entry. QSL via SV1CIB. [Tnx NG3K]

11/02/2006: Paolo, I2UIY, will be active as P40G from the island of Aruba (IOTA SA-036) during the CQ WW RTTY WPX Contest (February 11-12th). No entry category was given. QSL via I2EOW. [Tnx NG3K]

12/02/2006: Dennis, WA2USA, plans to be QRV as WA2USA/4 from Bogue Banks, Emerald Isle (IOTA NA-112, USI NC-010S) located in Onslow Bay, Carteret county, Maine from February 12-19th. He plans to enter the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 18-19th) as a Single-Operator/All-Band entry. Before and after the contest he will be active on 30 and 17 meters. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx rsgbiota.org]

15/02/2006: K3LP (Dave) is heading back to Saint Martin/Sint Maarten (IOTA NA-105) for the ARRL CW DX Contest. Traveling with him will be W3ARS (Clint). The two will be QRV as PJ7/K3LP and PJ7/W3ARS from February 15-22nd. During the ARRL CW DX Contest Dave will operate as FS5UQ running Single-Op/Low-Power, while Clint will operate on the WARC and 6 meter bands. The activity from Sint Maarten (PJ7) will also count for the Sint Maarten lighthouse (WLOTA LH-0711). QSL via home calls. [Tnx SM7AED]

17/02/2006: Martti OH2BH (V31BH) and Pertti OH2PM (V31PP) will be cruising in the Caribbean with their ladies to activate Belize in both ARRL International DX Contests, multi-operator all-bands (CW: February 18-19th and SSB: March 4-5th). QSLs to their respective home callsigns. [Tnx F5NQL]

04/03/2006: Tom, ZP5AZL, will be active from Paraguay as ZP0R during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 4-5th). No other details were given. QSL via W3HNK. [Tnx NG3K]

17/03/2006: IOTA BASH 2006 - On Friday and Saturday (March 17th and 18th) Mike AD5A is planning a get together for IOTA enthusiasts in Boerne, Texas (near San Antonio). There will be presentations from Mike McGirr K9AJ on his recent IOTA trips to VY0 and YN4 and possibly his trip to the Farallon islands NA178, which is planned for Feb, 2006. There will also be lots of time to socialize. This will be the second annual IOTA Bash. They are planning for there to be DXCC card checking and other special guest. All information, including directions and registration form can be found at islandradio.org/iotabash.htm [Tnx IREF]

10/05/2006: Ron, SM7DKF, will be QRV May 10-20th from the island of St. Barthelemy (IOTA NA-146, DIFO FJ-001). Look for activity on all HF bands. QSL direct to home call or LoTW. [Tnx rsgbiota.org]

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SPECIAL EVENTS -

11/02/2006: Two new French special callsigns will be active around and during the next Antarctica Week (February 20-26th). These two callsigns will be ended by the suffix TAF (Which means in French language "Terres Australes Fran?aises" for the "French Australes Territories".

1st) TM0TAF, WAP 043, by the members of the Provins ARS F6KOP, from February 11-25th. All modes HF and VHF. QSL via Thierry, F4TTR.
2nd) TM8TAF, WAP 042, a joint activity of the Clipperton DX Club and the Bordeaux DX Group, from February 13-23rd. CW, SSB, Digitals, FM etc.. on HF and VHF. QSL via Laurent, F8BBL, bureau preferred. [Tnx F5NQL]

10/04/2006: NE1RD (Scott) and KZ1O (Dave) will be active April 10-17th using the Patriots Day special event call K1P from Deer Isle (IOTA NA-055, USI ME-014S, Hancock county), Maine. Patriots Day celebrates Massachusetts in the founding of our nation but many do not know Maine was part of Massachusetts until 1820, split as part of the Missouri Compromise. Join us from the Maine sea coast celebrating Patriots Day and New England's tradition of the sea April 10-17, 2006. Look for activity on all bands. QSL via NE1RD (QRZ.com). [Tnx rsgbiota.org]

01/05/2006: Special event station SN80LKK will be aired by Wojtek, SP8MI, to commemorate the 80 anniversary of LKK (Lvovs Shortwave Club - since 1926) during the period of May 1-31, 2006. QSL via SP8MI, bureau or direct (SASE 1IRC - new). Wojtek does not answer QSL cards on the e.QSL.cc system. [Tnx F5NQL]

01/06/2006: Look for special event station GB4HAA to be aired June 1-28th to celebrate the Inauguration of the Hampshire & I.O.W. Air Ambulance Service. This activity will take place from the HMS Collingwood, RNARS HQ station. QSL via operators' instructions. [Tnx RNARS]
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SILENT KEY - Former RSGB President, G8HEZ/GW8HEZ, silent key. It is with sadness that we report the death of former RSGB president Robert Gilmore Barrett, G8HEZ/GW8HEZ. Robert of Veryan, Cornwall died suddenly on 3 January while on holiday in Sweden. He was 63 years old. Robert served as RSGB president in 1984, having taken over from Donald Baptiste CBE. [Tnx GB2RS]
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QSL VIA W0MM - Starting January 15, 2006, Laurent W0MM, will be the manager for YN4MG (WK6O). Mike is a missionary who spends most of his time in YN-land when not in southern California. Laurent should receive Mike's new cards from the printer (LZ1JZ) within a month. [Tnx W0MM]

QSL VIA EA7FTR - Effective immediately the QSL manager for Sultan Al Kuwari, A71CT, is Francisco EA7FTR. QSLs for A71CT should be sent to EA7FTR either direct (Francisco Lianez Suero, Asturias 23, Aljaraque, Huelva 21110, Spain), or through the bureau. [Tnx K1XN & the GOLIST]
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73 and Good Hunting!
Dave Raycroft - VA3RJ
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